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June 5, 2013

The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin  
Chair, Honolulu City Council  
Honolulu Hale  
530 S. King Street, Room 302  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Operating Budget as Bill 11 (2013), CD2  
Relating to the City and County Budget  
The Wahiawa Center for Community Health - SUPPORT

Dear Chair Martin and members of the Honolulu City Council:

FACE is the largest State inter-faith and community organizing non-profit. We have 24 institutions on Maui, 27 on Oahu and one statewide. There are 38 churches, a Buddhist Temple, 2 Jewish congregations, 10 community groups and non-profit organizations and one labor union. FACE has a statewide participating membership base in excess of 40,000.

We are testifying in support of Bill 11, CD2, Relating to the City and County Budget, with particular regards to its support of those nonprofit organizations seeking to provide much-needed community services to the people of Oahu. We are here to support specifically, the Wahiawa Center for Community Health (WCCH), a brand-new community-owned and locally managed not-for-profit health care agency with a mission to promote and provide accessible comprehensive individual and community health care to the people of Wahiawa, Central Oahu and the North Shore.

With the vital support provided by the City and County of Honolulu, WCCH can and will become a classic social safety net for the island's most vulnerable populations, emphasizing both holistic, preventative and patient-driven health care and professional collaboration with other health and human service organizations whenever necessary. Our congregations and members specifically in the areas of Wahiawa, Whitmore, Poamoho, Helemano and Schofield as communities are in need of a place to receive their necessary health, dental and mental care.

We believe that there is a large population of Wahiawa residents that would benefit and sustain a community health center, and we urge you to support this budget item that would assist the community of the implementation of the Wahiawa Center for Community Health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sam Domingo", written over a horizontal line.

Reverend Sam Domingo  
President, FACE Oahu

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